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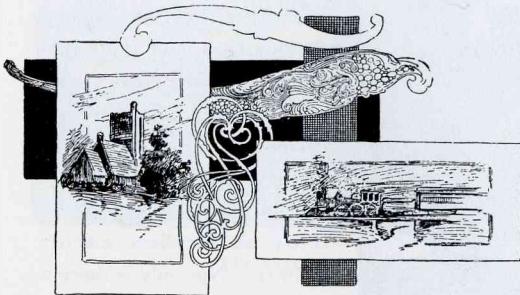
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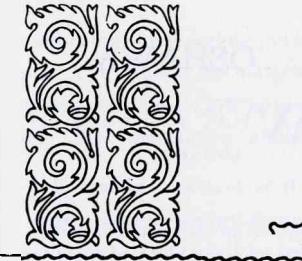
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...OSHAWA...

WHAT shall we say of Oshawa?

It is first and above all a manufacturing town. Situated on Lake Ontario 30 miles east of Toronto, on the main line of the Grand Trunk railway, it enjoys the advantage of unexcelled shipping facilities. Every incentive is given the manufacturer to locate here, and the ones who have done so are the leaders in their kind of goods in the country. Oshawa is associated with such names as The Ontario Malleable Iron Co., The McLaughlin Carriage Co., The R. S. Williams Piano Co., The Pedlar Metal Roofing Co., and others equally well-known through-

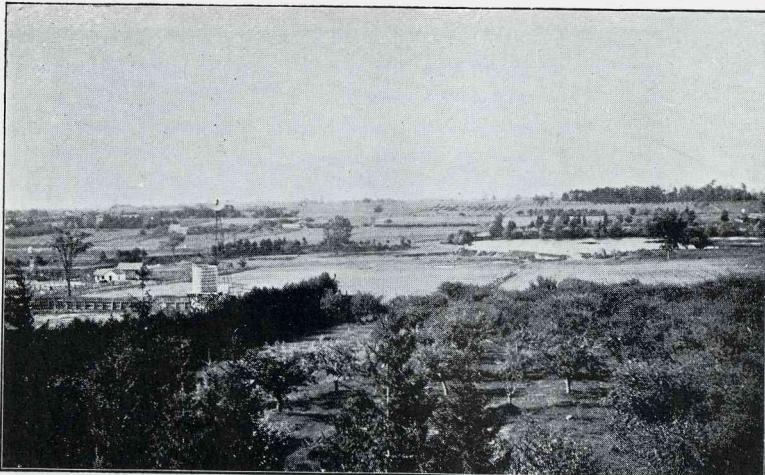


COUNCIL OF 1897.

C. French	R. McCaw	A. Hoover	J. Ross	A. McLain
P. H. Punshon	B. J. Rogers	(Chief of Police)	E. I. Rowse	F. Grierson
J. Tamblyn		F. E. Ellis	O. Hazelwood	
W. J. Hare, Mayor		R. S. McLaughlin		

out the Dominion—yes, and even in many foreign countries Oshawa and her mammoth manufacturing industries are household words. No town in Canada the size of Oshawa can boast of such phenomenal growth among its industries, and the manufacturers thoroughly appreciate any help they have received from the town. Although about 3 miles from the lake, it is connected with it by an excellent electric railway. Not only is there a line on the principal residence streets, but every manufacturer has a switch running direct to his factory, over which all the outgoing and incoming freight is hauled to and from the Grand Trunk Depot. Street cars

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LOOKING WEST FROM PROSPECT PARK.

people of the town are extremely sociable to a stranger. Particularly is this noticeable among the clubs, of which Oshawa has several. One of prominence we might mention, the Thirty Club. This club is composed of the first gentlemen of the town, first socially, professionally, and in a business way—gentlemen courteous, friendly and entertaining to a degree. Any stranger who visits their well appointed club rooms will go away feeling better for having been there. Then, again, the lake only a short distance away, and connected by the street railway, is very popular. The scenery is very fine, and during the summer months Oshawa-on-the-Lake has many visitors from the cities—

meet every passenger train, thus affording the traveling public rapid transit to all parts of the town. The streets, the majority of business houses, and many private residences, are lighted by electricity, and the volunteer fire department affords general satisfaction.

THE HOMES.

We present cuts of some of the finest of them in this edition, and although the time of year in which the photos were taken was not suitable for showing them to their best advantage, yet the reader can easily understand that they must be beautiful.

PLACES OF AMUSEMENT.

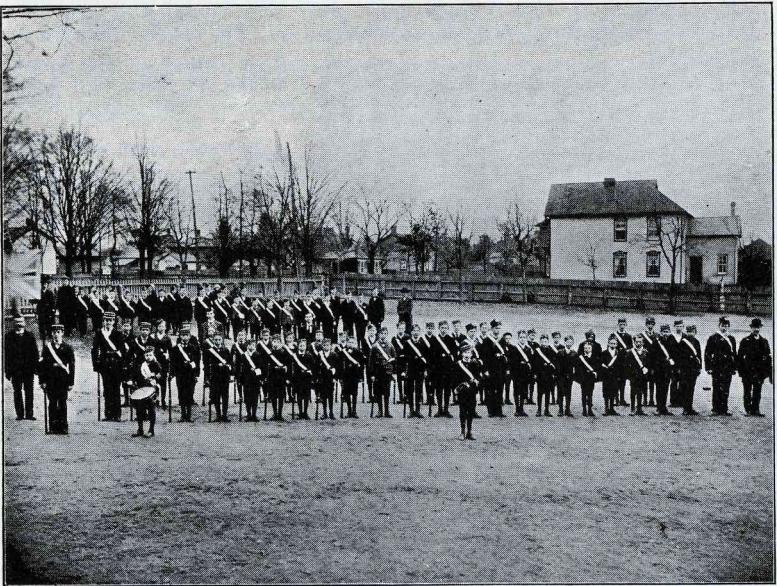
Oshawa is exceptionally well supplied in this respect. The Borsberry Music Hall, lately refitted and remodeled all through, is up-to-date in every respect.

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Photo by] ALONG THE FLATS. [F. P. Rae

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BOYS' BRIGADE OF OSHAWA.

The Boys' Brigade of Canada is well established in Oshawa. There are four companies. No. 1 company (Simcoe Street Methodist), was organized in May last, through the efforts of Mr. O. Hazelwood, who was appointed captain. No. 1 was soon followed by No. 2 company (Presbyterian), Capt. R. Rogan, No. 3 company (Church of England), Capt. Gus Braithwaite, and No. 4 company (Metcalf Street Methodist), Capt. N. Grose. The accompanying picture does not show the companies to the best advantage, as when taken the weather was cold and unfavorable, and many of the boys were not able to attend.

particularly Toronto. There is no reason why Oshawa could not be a successful summer resort town. The boating and fishing is unexcelled. The beach is excellent for bathing, and already a number of cottages are built there. The town has the best park outside of the cities, in fact it is far ahead of many city ones. We refer to Prospect Park, of which a detailed account with illustrations is given on pages 36 and 37.

MECHANICS' INSTITUTE.

Oshawa has a very complete Mechanics' Institute, with comfortable reading rooms, where all the leading papers and magazines are kept on file, and an excellent library of from 2,500 to 3,000 volumes.

CHURCH AND EDUCATIONAL FEATURES.

Oshawa is well supplied with churches, having eight in all, and all of them first-class. The Catholic church, especially, is very fine, and was built mainly through the



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efforts of Father Jeffcott, who, by the way, is carrying through a noble work for the benefit of the men of his congregation. He organized what is known as the St. Gregory Club, where his male parishioners congregate on winter evenings and pass the time beneficially. The Simcoe St. Methodist, Rev. J. P. Wilson, Pastor, has perhaps the largest membership of any in the town. The work done in connection with this church is very noticeable. The Metcalf Street Methodist, Rev. McCall, Pastor, is doing a good work, the

Pastor being very popular with the townspeople. The English Church, Rev. Talbot, Pastor, numbers among its members some of the best people in town. The Baptist Church, the Christian Church and the Presbyterian Church are all doing good work. A group of the churches is given on page 8. As will be seen by cut on page 9, Oshawa has some very fine schools for a town of its size, and we cannot pass by the educational features without a mention of Mr. Lyman C. Smith, Principal of the Oshawa High School. Although exceptionally well-known in the educational world, the name he has made for himself as the author of "Mabel Grey and Other Poems" will outlive his success as an instructor. The teachers on the whole are really first-class, and the School Board is paying special attention to the advancement of the pupils.



INTERIOR OF MUSIC HALL.

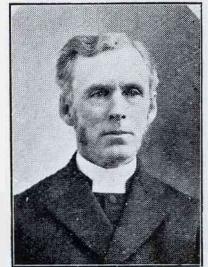
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### THE BUSINESS HOUSES.

The business houses will bear comparison with any of their kind in any town in Canada. The stocks carried are large and complete, and the prices are consistent. The proprietors are bright, progressive men, who believe in doing their share towards helping the town.



REV. FATHER JEFFCOTT.



REV. J. P. WILSON.

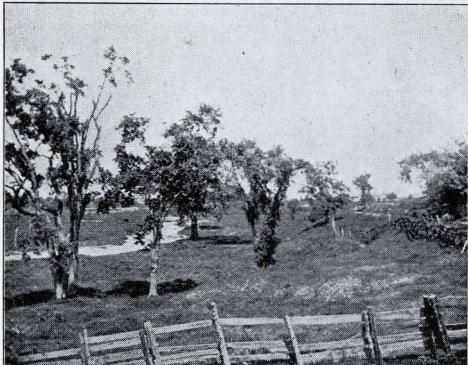
### AN ACKNOWLEDGMENT.

We wish to take this opportunity of reviewing our work in Oshawa and thanking those who made it possible for this book to be a success.

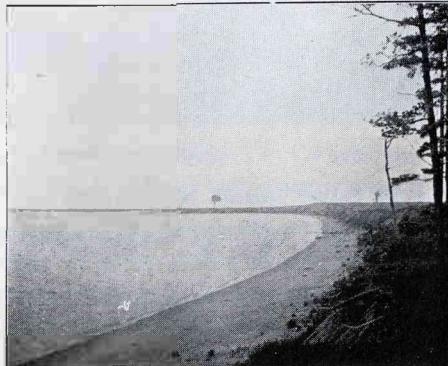
Perhaps it is that we look on a town with critical eyes, or perhaps it is that we meet individuals who would like to impress us with a sense of their own importance; but whatever the cause, we have derived a good deal of benefit and amusement in our work of advertising progressive Canadian towns.

Our invariable rule is to write of a town as we find it. If the people are progressive and

friendly we believe it is our duty to let the outside world (through the pages of our publication) know of it. In Oshawa we have found our ideal. We do not mean it is the only town which comes up to our standard, but with the exception of one other we have never been in a town the equal of Oshawa. The town is composed of a class of people who make a town better for having them as citizens—people progressive, broad-minded



ALONG THE RIVER.



THE BEACH, OSHAWA-ON-THE-LAKE.  
Photo by F. P. Rae.

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in every respect—people who extend the right hand of good fellowship to a stranger and make him feel at home.

To some of the members of the town council we are especially thankful, and to the two newspapers, the Vindicator and



KING ST LOOKING WEST



SIMCOE ST LOOKING NORTH

the Reformer, we are deeply indebted. Mr. Nicholson, editor and proprietor of the Vindicator, is an old newspaper man, having been connected with the business in the United States and Canada many years. Early in '98 he intends laying down the pen to take a course in mineralogy and geology at the School of Mines, Kingston, in which study he is much interested. Should Mr. Nicholson go on with the plan laid out the journalist world will lose a very useful

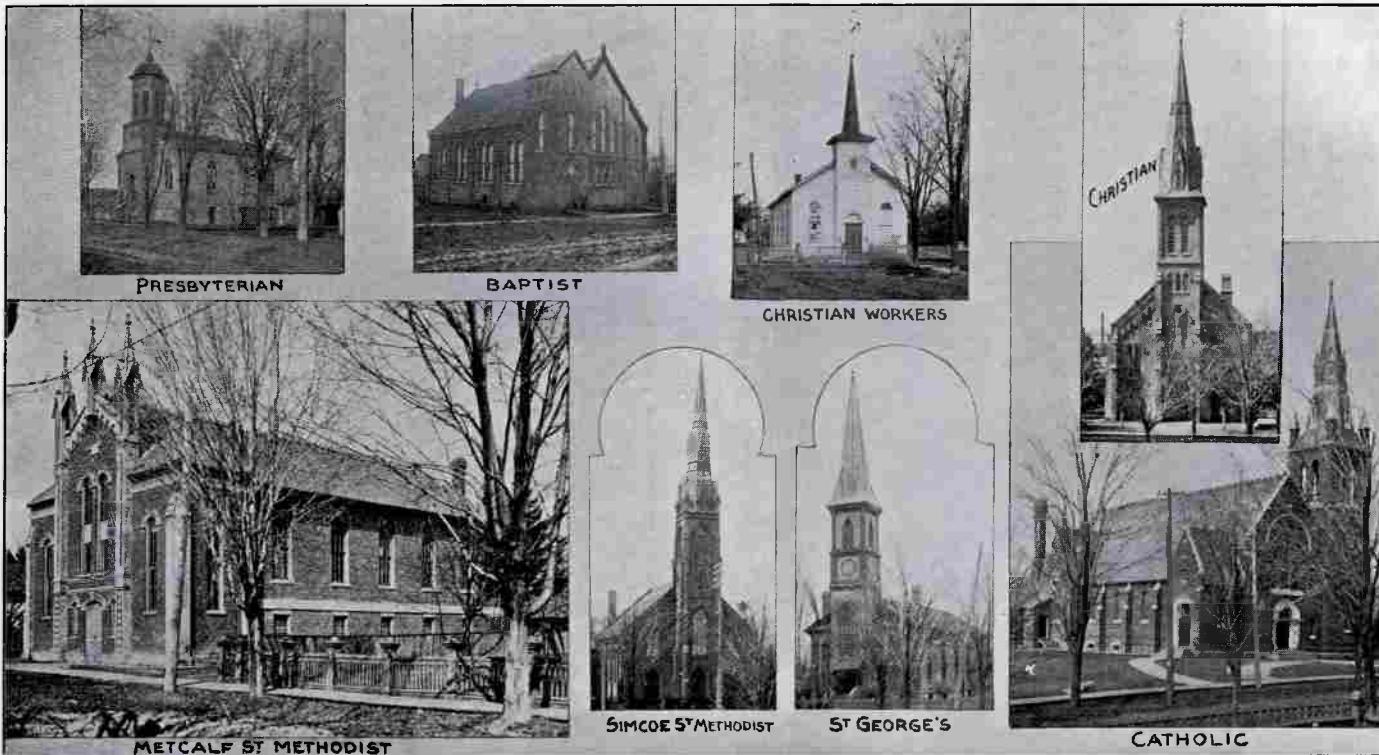
member—a member who is always to be found in the front ranks, whether the fight be political, social, or ecclesiastical. Mr. Mundy, of the Reformer, is one of the veteran newspaper men of the Province, and his newsy sheet will be found in the majority of the homes in Oshawa and vicinity. Of late years he has admitted his son Mr. Chas. Mundy to the business, and the infusion of young blood in the field will do much towards placing the paper on a very high plane indeed. We must thank the photographers for the artistic illustrations.

Messrs. O'Brien & Stedham are artists in every sense of the word and justly merit the select patronage they receive. To Mr. F. P. Rae, an amateur, we owe many thanks for some of the excellent scenic views, a sample of which may be seen on page 15; and to Mr. H. Felt, another amateur, we are indebted for the excellent illustration on page 41. This was taken during the memorable ice storm of '95. But however good the photos, the engraver must thoroughly understand his art before first-class illustrations can be produced. We have been particularly fortunate in this respect in securing the services of the Canadian Photo Engraving Bureau, whose card appears on page 42. This firm is composed of progressive gentlemen who do all in their power to make every cut turned out by them perfect in every respect.



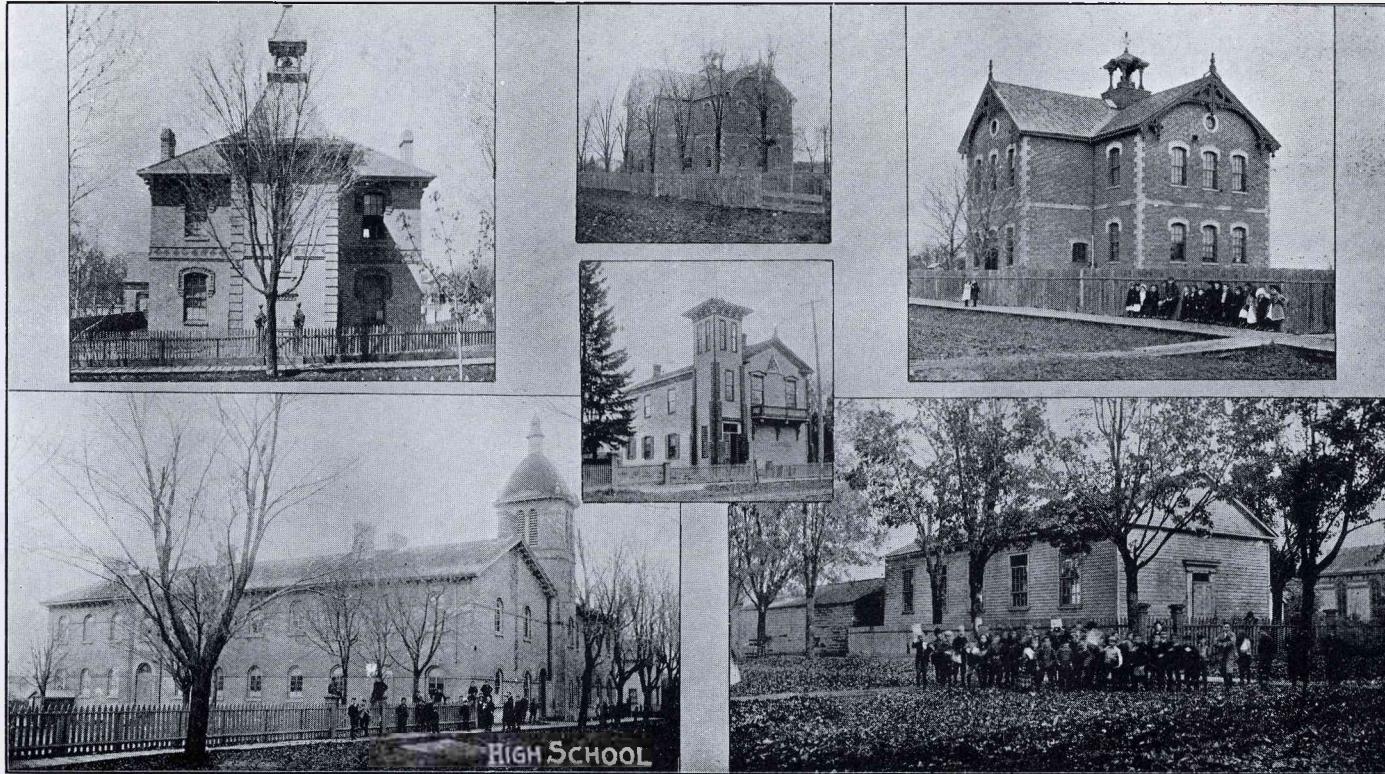
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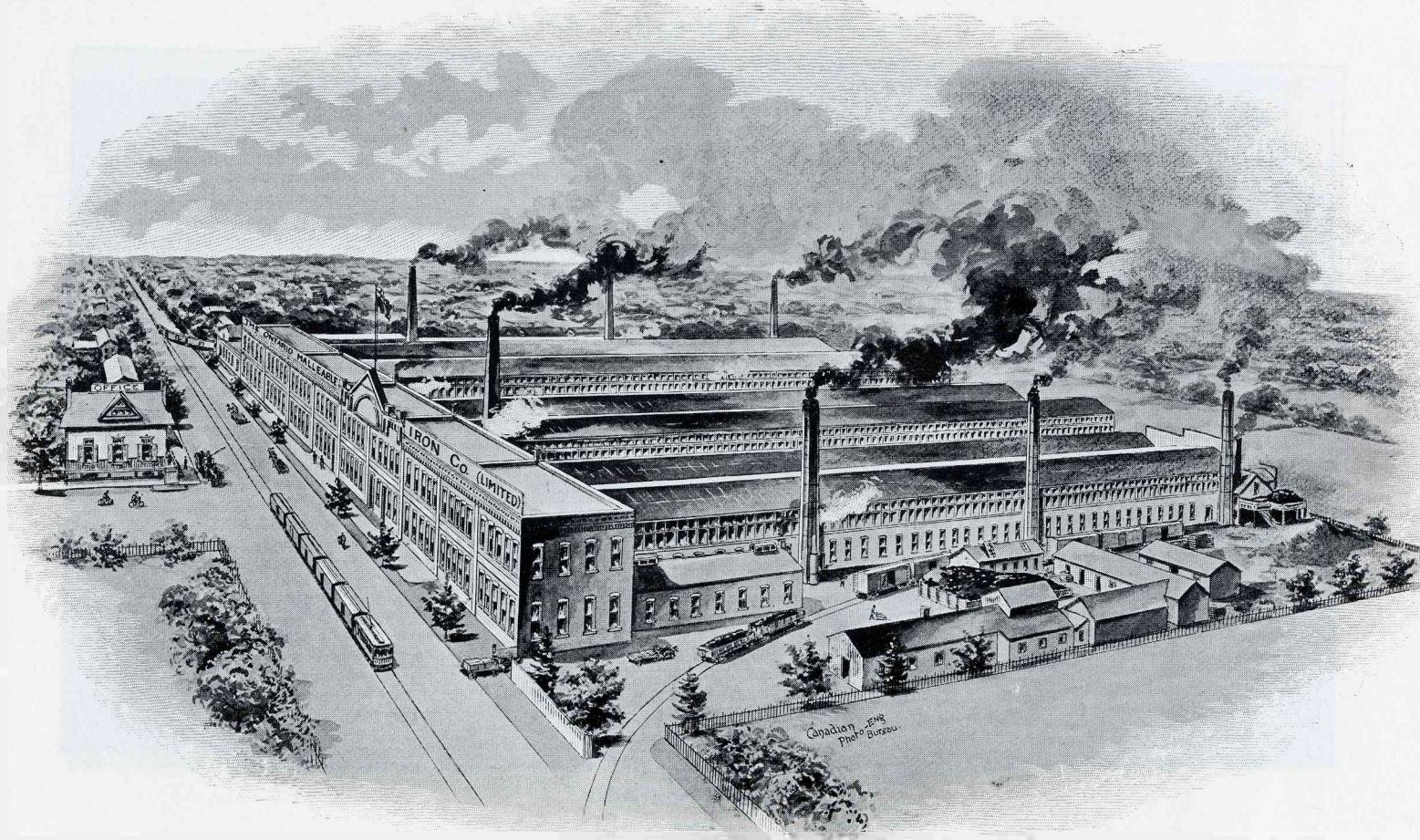
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THE OSHAWA SCHOOLS

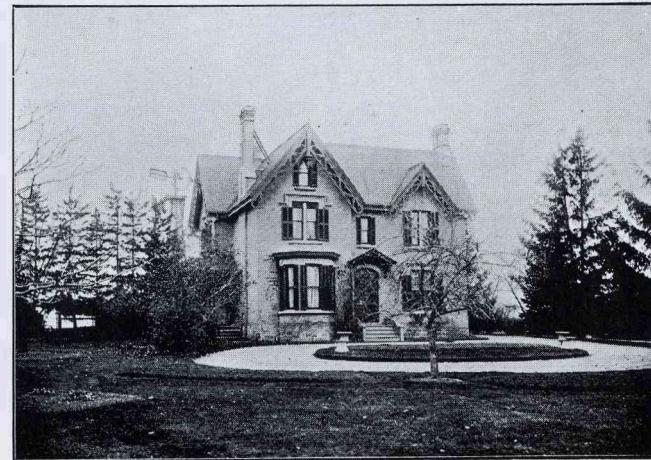
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PLANT OF THE ONTARIO MALLEABLE IRON CO., LIMITED.

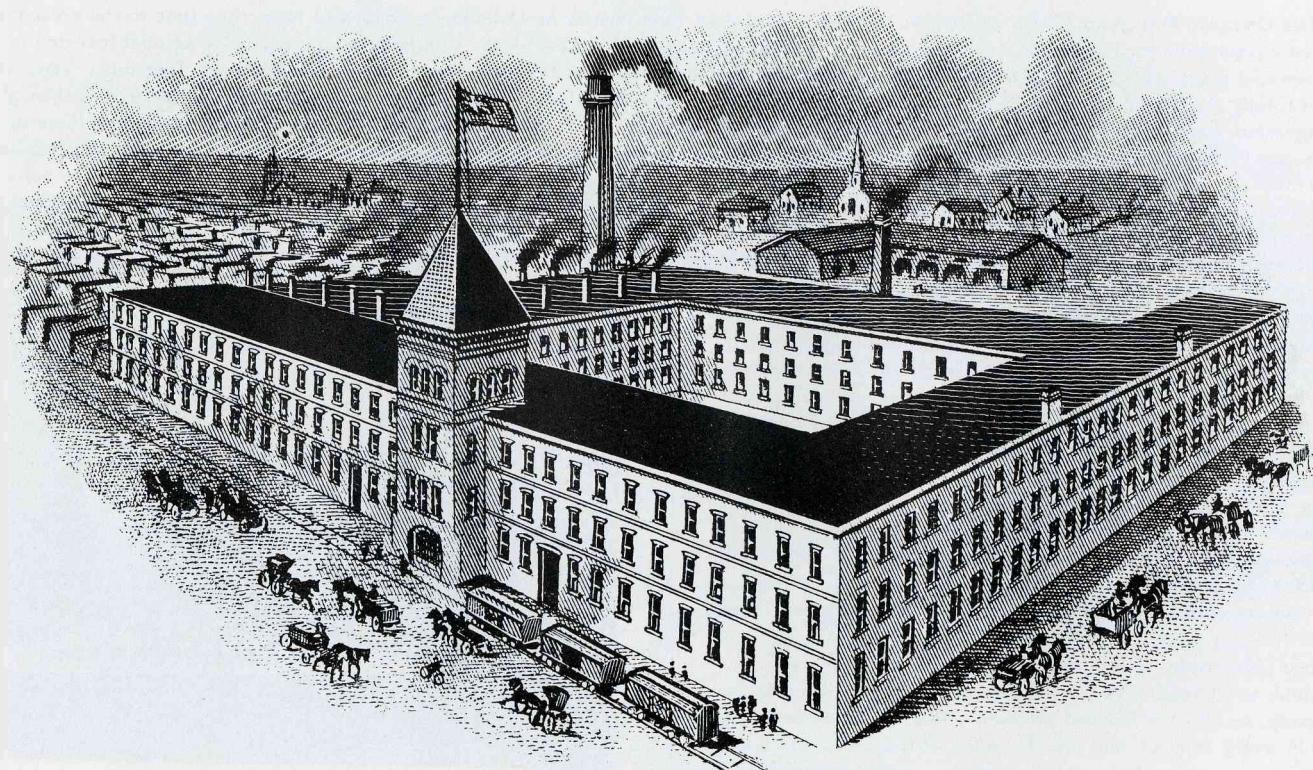
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THE ONTARIO MALLEABLE IRON COMPANY, Limited, established their works at Oshawa in 1873, and from that time to the present have enjoyed a reputation for enterprise, skill and integrity, which has been the keystone of the Company's success. The amount invested in their premises and plant, irrespective of finished stock on hand, had reached a sum, at the date when a large fire occurred, December, 1894, which almost totally destroyed the premises, in excess of one hundred thousand dollars. Owing to the unavoidable loss experienced through the conflagration, the Company were reluctant to rebuild in permanent form, but in a few weeks erected temporary quarters to enable them to work up the heavy stock of raw material on hand, and thus give employment to a very considerable proportion of their employees. To the great benefit of the town and satisfaction of its citizens, the Company decided, during the past summer, to restore their works on as large a scale as before the fire, but in accordance with improved plans. The illustration on opposite page represents the restored buildings, and the premises upon which they are situated embraces about eight acres, between three and four of which are under roof. The factory faces the west, and has a frontage of 250 feet, and at its greatest depth, 408 feet, covering an area of over 100,000 square feet. The moulding, melting, annealing and milling departments are under one roof, which is covered with iron, and supported by iron columns. Ample floor space for 125 moulders has been provided, and the annealing and milling capacity corresponds therewith. The Company have recently added grey castings to their malleable output, and at present employ between two and three hundred hands. The pattern department passed through the fire uninjured, and is practically fire-proof. The Company has provided ample fire protection by means of several large cisterns, a force pump, and a well drilled brigade in connection with a fire engine stationed on the premises. The Oshawa Railway Co., operated in connection with the Grand Trunk Railway System, have built a freight line in front of the Ontario Malleable Iron Company's premises, with switches attached, and handle promptly all the raw material utilized by the Company, as also the finished product. The buildings are complete in every respect, and are the pride of the town, and taken in connection with other industries in the same locality, entitle Oshawa to the distinction of "The Manchester of Canada."



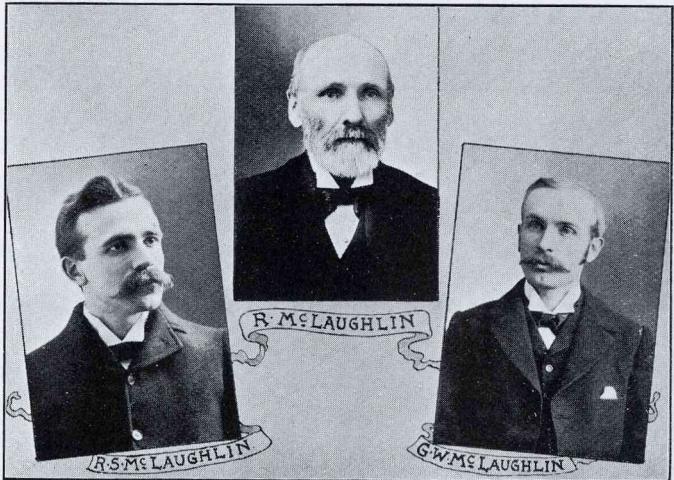
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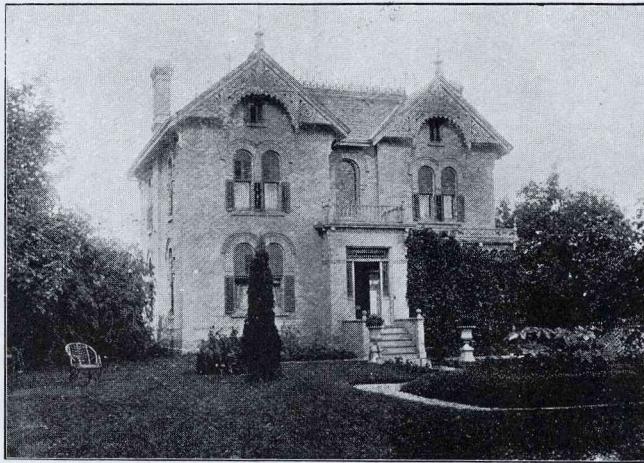


THE PLANT OF THE M'LAUGHLIN CARRIAGE COMPANY.

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THE M'LAUGHLIN CARRIAGE COMPANY.



RESIDENCE OF MR. G. W. M'LAUGHLIN.

The foundation of this concern was laid by MR. R. McLAUGHLIN, Sr., the present general manager of the Company, in the year 1869. Its subsequent history furnishes abundant proof that the foundation was laid upon the solid rock. Commencing locally in 1869, Mr. McLaughlin turned out 15 vehicles the first year, having for his patrons his neighbors within a few miles of his primitive "shop." The concern to-day has the Dominion for a field, and agencies established from the Atlantic to the Pacific oceans, and is opening up a foreign trade. Last year the Company's output was over 5,500 carriages, carts and sleighs. In 1896 they made an extension of their works. Again this year they found it necessary to increase their already extensive plant by adding another large wing for storage in order to meet the steadily increasing demand there is for their vehicles. The main building now has a frontage on Richmond and Mary sts. of 485 ft. The entire outside walls of the main building are 946 ft. (3 stories), not including engine and boiler house, dry kilns, etc. The firm pays out in wages annually about \$65,000, and employs upwards of 180 skilled workmen. Its success is due to the fact that its founder adhered firmly to the principle of building "one grade only, and that the best," fully believing that the best article is the cheapest and saves money for all their patrons, by giving them at a slight advance over the price of other makes a superior article put up in the latest and handsomest styles bearing their own originality in the various details, and in their valuable patents which they alone control.

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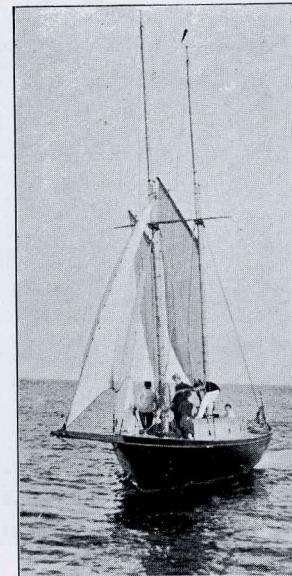
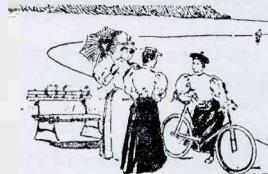


THE PEDLAR METAL ROOFING COMPANY.

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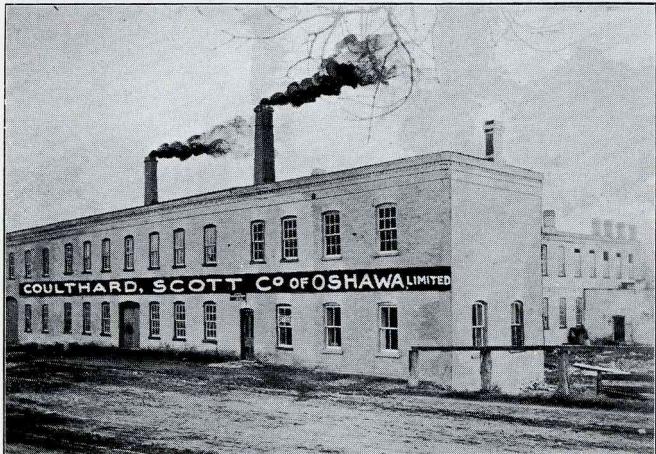
THE PEDLAR METAL ROOFING CO. is one of the prominent industries of this busy manufacturing centre. Geo. H. Pedlar, Sr., is the General Manager. Geo. H. Pedlar, Jr., Assistant Manager. Mr. Pedlar, Sr., first started in the iron business in Oshawa in 1861, but it is only for the past five or six years that he has been engaged exclusively in the manufacture of Metal Ceilings, Sidings and Roofing. Mr. Pedlar's knowledge of what was necessary to get the trade, backed by an energy that knew nothing but success, at once put the business on the road to prosperity. Its growth has been rapid and permanent, until to-day goods are shipped to all parts of the Dominion from the Atlantic to the Pacific. Agencies have been established in all the principal trade centres, and on account of the ingenuity shown in the methods of advertising and the push displayed in putting these methods into practice, there is not a community of well-to-do people in the Dominion but has had the merits of the Pedlar Metal Roofing Co.'s goods placed before them. The fruit of this is that the bulk of the trade of the country has been turned into the Oshawa factory. Their large premises with a frontage of 250 feet and a depth of 175 feet, gives employment to nearly sixty hands. The cost of production has been reduced to the minimum figures, while the quality of the goods is the best that long experience and skilled labor can produce. There is an office staff of eight persons and the enormous daily mail received gives them ample employment. The latest machinery has been introduced for

the production of any class of work in the Company's line. The class of work varies from the sheeting of a warehouse to the interior decoration of the finest public and private buildings. Draftsmen are employed producing original designs for ceilings. The Company's up-to-date method of producing what is desired with promptness is the secret of its success. Their capacity is such that large orders can be filled on short notice, and as to price and quality of goods they defy competition.



ONE OF THE PLEASURES.  
Photo by F. P. Rae.

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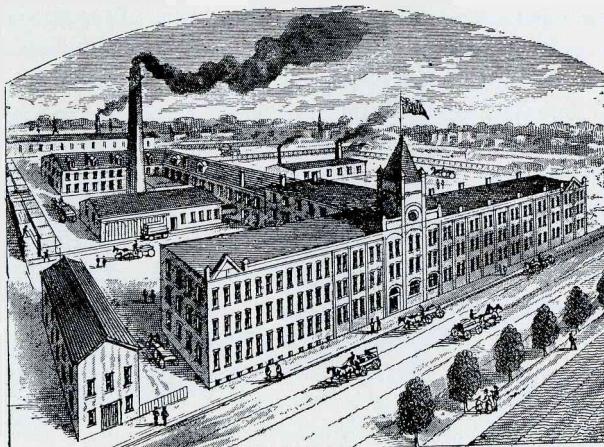


FACTORY OF THE COULTHARD, SCOTT CO., LIMITED.

Their factory is situated on King street west. It is well laid out, and equipped with machinery suitable to the manufacture of the line of agricultural implements which they make, viz.: Grain drills, seeders, spring-tooth cultivators, disk and seeding harrows. They are well and favorably known, the Company having agents in almost all the chief places in the Dominion, and they are also doing some foreign trade. They obtained medals at the World's Fair, Chicago,

being the only Canadian firm in their special line that did. The present business was established in 1882. The Company employ from 30 to 50 men besides the agents they have selling their implements.

One of the largest establishments in Oshawa is that of the R. S. WILLIAMS & SONS CO., Limited, employing about 200 men. All kinds of musical instruments are manufactured by them, the quality of which is unexcelled.



THE R. S. WILLIAMS & SONS CO. FACTORY.

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THE WESTERN BANK.

**T**WO institutions of which the town is proud are the Western Bank and the Ontario Loan and Savings Society. These two institutions, although in no way connected, occupy the large block at the corner of Simcoe and King Streets.

The Western Bank was established in May, 1882, with an authorized capital of \$1,000,000 and a subscribed capital of \$500,000, of which \$384,000 is paid up. Rest, \$112,000. The personnel is : President—John Cowan ; Vice-President—R. S. Hamlin ; Directors—W. F. Cowan, W. F. Allan, Robt. McIntosh, M.D., J. A.

Gibson, Thos. Paterson ; Cashier—T. H. McMillan. The Bank has agencies at Whitby, Port Perry, Midland, Penetanguishene, Paisley, New Hamburg and Tilsonburg. Correspondents—London, Eng. : The Royal Bank of Scotland ; New York and Canada : The Merchants Bank of Canada.

The Ontario Loan and Savings Society was established in 1873 with a subscribed capital of \$300,000, all paid up ; rest fund, \$75,000 ; contingent fund, \$23,000. The personnel is : President—W. F. Cowan ; Vice-President—W. F. Allan ; Directors—John Cowan, R. S. Hamlin, J. A. Gibson, Thos. Paterson, Wm. Brien. Secretary-Treasurer—T. H. McMillan.



COTTAGES AT OSHAWA-ON-THE-LAKE.

Photo. F. P. Rae.

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RESIDENCE OF MR. J. A. GIBSON.

One of the oldest residents of the town is MR. J. A. GIBSON, a cut of whose handsome residence accompanies this article. Mr. Gibson was born in Toronto, and at the age of 21 was in the employ of the Government surveying. In this connection he has surveyed and laid out some of the best known roads and townships in Western Ontario. He was for a time connected with his father and brother in the lumbering business at Parry Sound. Coming

here in 1865, Mr. Gibson went into the Books, Stationery and Jewelry business, in which he has been exceptionally successful. Without a doubt this gentleman is one of the most prominent in town, having been a member of the Town Council several years. He was one of the organizers of the Ontario Loan and Savings Society and Western Bank, of each of which he is a director.

DR. M. F. CROSS, L.D.S., graduated with high honors from the Toronto Dental College and Toronto University in 1894. After looking after the practice of Dr. Parker, of Guelph, for a short time during that gentleman's absence, he came to Oshawa and opened his tasty and modernly equipped dental offices over the Dominion Bank. Since coming here, by skilled and careful attention to the wants of his patients he has built up a large and creditable practice, devoting special attention to the preservation of natural teeth. Mr. Cross is very popular and public spirited, taking an active interest in the athletic organizations of the town, besides being a member of several secret societies.



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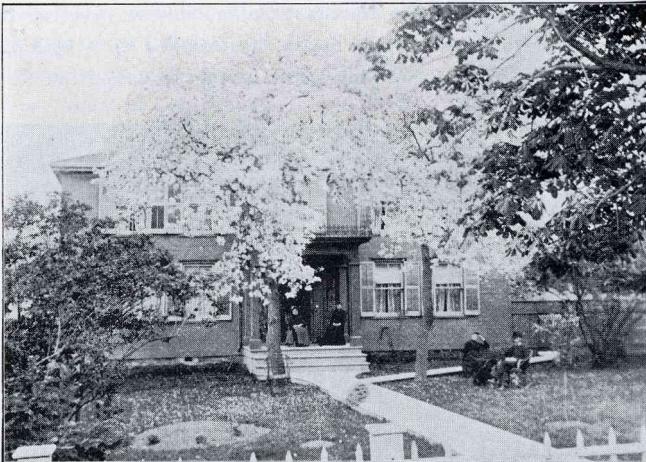
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Although MR. W. J. FRANCIS has only had possession of the Oshawa Greenhouses about four years, still during that time he has been very successful. The greenhouses are situated at the corner of Church and Colborne streets, and are really first-class. A most complete and varied line of plants are grown, but a specialty is made of carnations and roses, together with designs for funerals and weddings. Mr. Francis is a well-known violinist, and is much appreciated for his work.



INTERIOR OF MR. FRANCIS' GREENHOUSE.

MR. W. J. HARE, Mayor of Oshawa, was born in Kingston, coming here in May, 1866. He was engaged for a time with the Joseph Hall Machine Co., afterwards taking charge of the Masson



RESIDENCE OF MAYOR HARE.

works in Oshawa. In 1877 he commenced manufacturing agricultural implements with Messrs. Knapland and Dillon as partners, but about twelve years ago Mr. Hare assumed entire control of the foundry, and although of late years he has ceased the manufacturing of implements, he still does a nice general foundry business. Mr. Hare is a public-spirited citizen, having been on the County Council four years and on the Town Council eight years. While this is his first year in the Mayor's chair, still his regime has been very successful.

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MR. B. J. SIMMONS, the Merchant Tailor, Simcoe street north, although only established four years, has worked up a splendid trade. Mr. Simmons is a progressive young man, and the care



INTERIOR OF MR. B. J. SIMMONS' TAILOR SHOP.

he takes in buying his select stock and also in the cutting accounts no doubt for the fact that he numbers among some of his customers some of the nobbiest dressers in town. He employs from ten to twelve people the year around.

The Dry Goods House of H. A. PORTER & Co., King street west, is too well known in Oshawa and vicinity as the great bargain house of the town to need any mention here. Mr. H. A. Porter has



INTERIOR H. A. PORTER & CO'S. DRY GOODS STORE.

with praiseworthy progression instituted much appreciated half-yearly sales, and the large and well assorted stock of general Dry Goods, gents' and children's Ready-Made Clothing, speaks volumes for the buying abilities of the proprietor.

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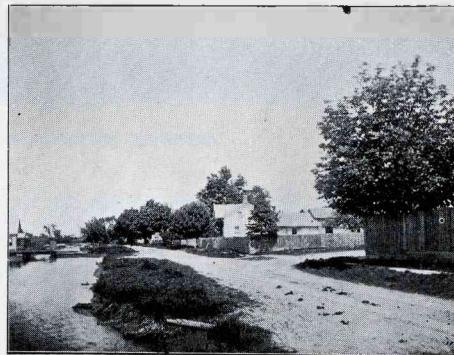
QUEEN'S HOTEL.

The Queen's Hotel, Mr. J. W. RAY, proprietor, is the leading hotel of the town. It has 45 nicely-furnished sleeping apartments, besides neat parlors and sitting-rooms. Without a doubt the sample-rooms are among the finest in Ontario. These, together with good table and well-stocked bar, make the hostelry very popular with the commercial trade. The genial proprietor

pays every attention to the comfort of his guests, and during his fifteen years' regime he has completely remodeled the hotel, which is now lighted by electricity, heated by steam, equipped with electric call bells, and in fact has every modern improvement and convenience.

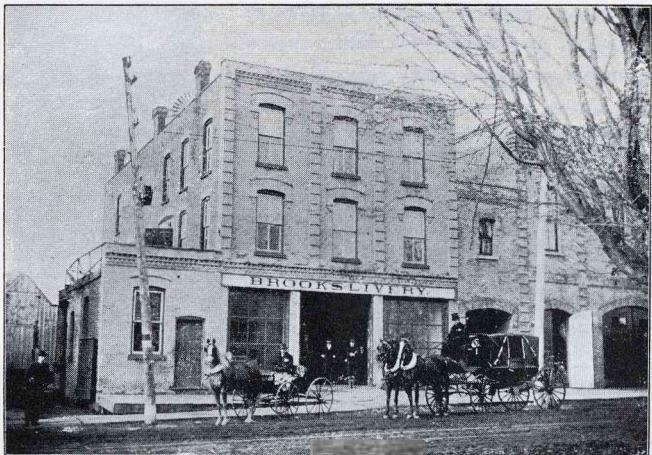


MR. J. W. RAY.



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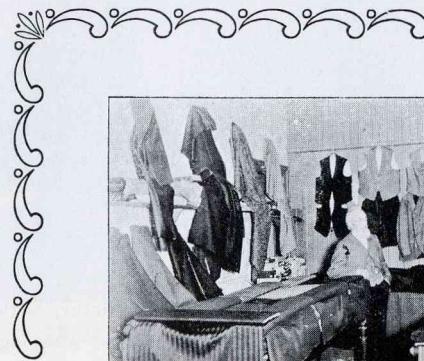
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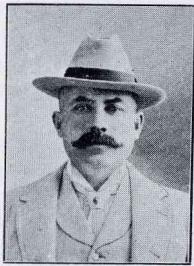
Brooks' Livery, Mr. L. M. BROOKS, Proprietor, opposite the Queen's Hotel, is well and favorably known to the travelling public, as well as the people of Oshawa. All kinds of rigs from a wagon to a two-wheeled trap may be had at very reasonable prices. Oshawa may well feel proud of what she can do in the way of turning out swell outfits, in fact many city liveries would suffer if compared with that of Mr. Brooks. A specialty is made in turning out rigs for weddings.

MR. PATRICK LYONS, a cut of whose tailor shop accompanies this article, was born in County Cork, Ireland, coming to Oshawa in 1850, afterwards enlisting in the Prince of Wales Royal Canadian Regiment in 1858. Mr. Lyons was stationed with his regiment two years at Gibraltar, coming back to Oshawa and engaging in the tailoring business. In 1892 he commenced business at his present stand on King street west, and has now a most creditable trade, making a specialty of pressing and cleaning. His stock is well chosen and prices reasonable.



INTERIOR OF MR. P. LYONS' TAILOR SHOP.

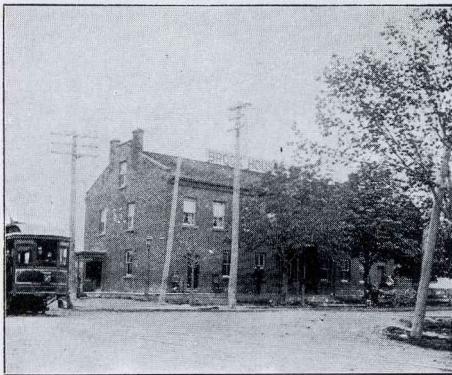
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MR. R. T. KIRKPATRICK.

The Brook House, Mr. R. T. KIRKPATRICK, proprietor, is situated on Simcoe street south, within a few minutes' walk of the Grand Trunk depot. The hotel has 15 large airy bedrooms, besides a number of sitting-rooms and parlors, a good bar, first-class table, every attention to guests, electric bells, electric light, reading and smoking rooms, and all modern conveniences, making the hotel very popular with summer tourists, wheelmen and sportsmen, being situated within three miles of excellent shooting and fishing grounds. Special attention is given to

lady guests with children, the genial proprietor having added lawns and tennis courts. Electric cars pass the door every few minutes to the town, and the fashionable summer resort known as Oshawa-on-the-Lake is only five minutes' ride from this hotel by the street cars.



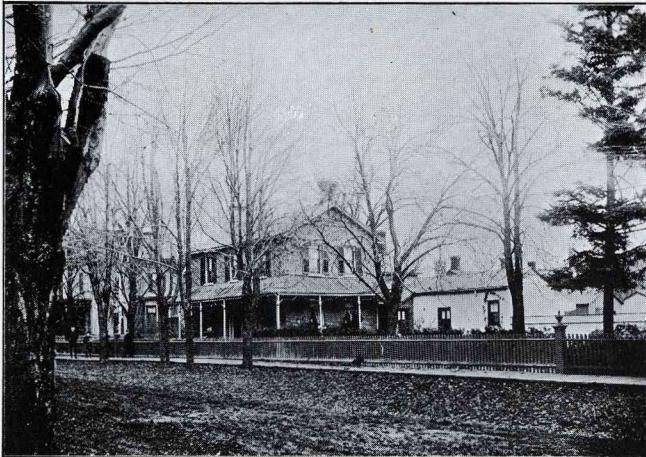
BROOK HOUSE.



GROCERY OF M. E. MAY.

The grocery and fancy goods house of M. E. MAY was established about twelve years ago, and during that time this house has worked up a most enviable trade. A full and complete line of groceries, chinaware, glassware and crockery, jewelry, fancy goods and boys' ready-made clothing, as well as a nice line of dry goods, is carried. The stock of groceries is always fresh, and this fact, together with the store's reputation for prompt and courteous attention to customers, accounts in a great measure for the large trade it has succeeded in building up.

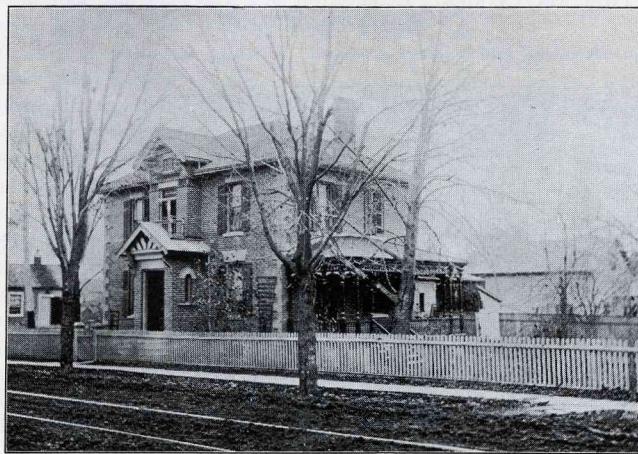
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RESIDENCE OF MR. J. D. STORIE.

MR. J. D. STORIE, Superintendent of The Ontario Malleable Iron Company, holds one of the most important positions within the gift of the Company. Although connected with the Company twenty-three years, Mr. Storie has only been Superintendent five years, previously being Superintendent of the chain department. His numerous important inventions in connection with chain link machinery have given him an enviable reputation throughout the county. The handsome new buildings of the Company were designed from Mr. Storie's suggestions. He is a member of the Oddfellows and I.O.F.

The accompanying cut shows the charming residence owned and occupied by MR. H. T. CARSWELL, and beautifully situated within easy distance of the town's centre. Mr. Carswell is one of Oshawa's most active business men, having for many years been closely connected with its manufacturing interests, and though a young man, now holds the important position of Secretary-Treas. to the Ontario Malleable Iron Co., Limited, the largest manufactory of its kind in the Dominion. Quiet and unobtrusive in manner, a courteous gentleman, an accomplished musician and a warm friend, Mr. Carswell is deservedly liked and respected by all who know him.



RESIDENCE OF MR. H. T. CARSWELL.

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MR. C. WILLIAMSON'S TAILOR SHOP.

MR. C. WILLIAMSON, the merchant tailor, Simcoe street south, was born in England, coming to the U.S. in 1869, and here a short time later. Mr. Williamson is always progressive, and has lately added an acetylene gas plant for store lighting. His trade is large, necessitating the employment of from seven to twelve hands the year round. He superintends all parts of the work

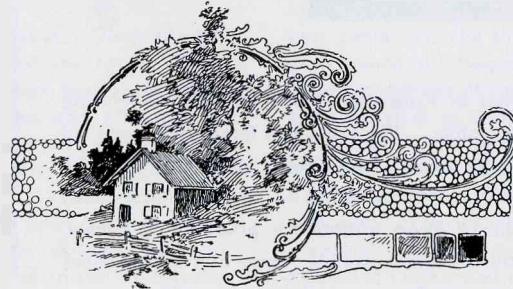
himself and does his own cutting, and this, with the select stock he carries, accounts for the satisfaction he gives. Mr. Williamson is a patriotic citizen, and was a member of the School Board several years.

MR. P. J. McNALLY, the barber, located on Simcoe street north, opposite the Queen's Hotel, has the reputation of being the most capable barber in Oshawa. His satisfactory work and careful attention to customers makes him very popular, not only with the men of the town, but also with travellers, many of whom pass by other barbers in order to patronize Mr. McNally.

MESSRS. D. DREW & SON, dealers in coal and wood, King street west, have been established about

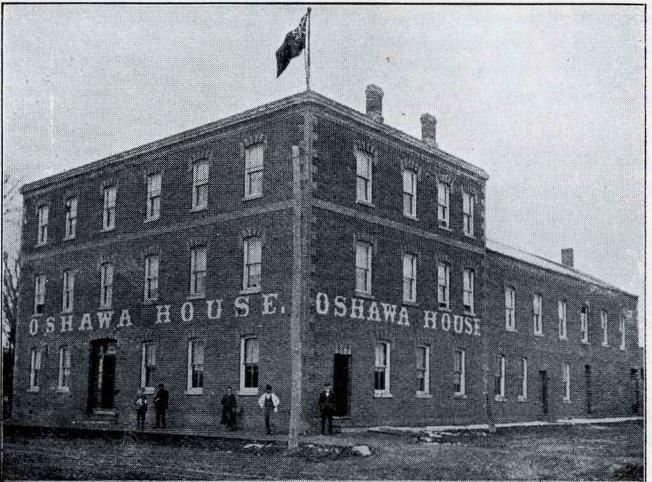


DREW'S COAL AND WOOD YARD.



five years. During that time they have worked up a most satisfactory trade, and this season their business promises to eclipse that of any previous year. They handle the celebrated Scranton coal and all kinds of hard and soft wood. During the fall and winter their wagons may be seen delivering in all parts of the town.

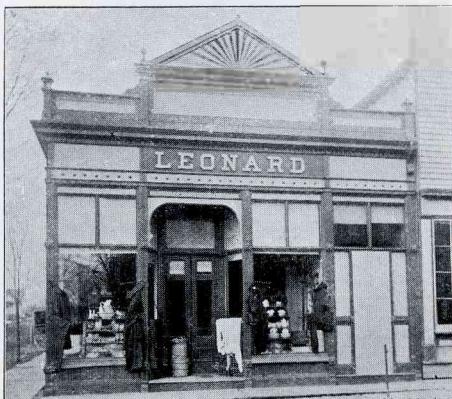
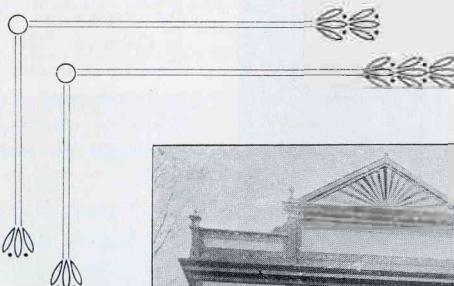
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OSHAWA HOUSE.

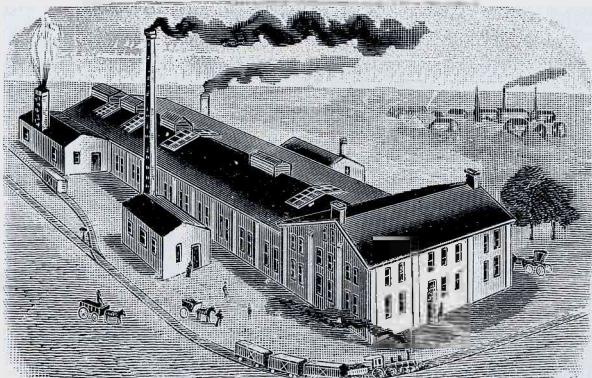
THE OSHAWA HOTEL, situated at the corner of King and Church streets, is acquiring a most favorable reputation with the travelling public. The hotel has forty well furnished bedrooms, tasty sitting rooms and parlors, besides a large, well lighted reading room. The building is lighted throughout with electricity, and the table is certainly first-class, receiving the personal attention of Mrs. Cooper. Every attention is afforded the guests, and this, together with the fact that the hotel has good sample rooms and an excellent bar, makes the hostelry very popular. The rates are \$1.00; special by the week.

L. LEONARD's Grocery at the corner of Bond and Simcoe streets north, is up-to-date in every respect. Besides a most complete line of Groceries, Crockery and General Provisions, a nice line of Youths' ready-made Clothing is carried. A specialty is made of Teas, of which this house carries a most complete stock of the choicest brands.



L. LEONARD'S GROCERY.

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TORONTO LOCK CO.'S WORKS.

The TORONTO LOCK CO., operating the Oshawa Stove Works, is one of the large manufacturing industries of the town. They manufacture a large and complete line of furniture hardware, builders' hardware, stair plates, hat-rack trimmings, and all kinds of brass and iron goods; also stoves, furnaces, patent eye sash weights, and iron castings to order. Nickel, brass, bronze, copper and silver plating is also done, but a specialty is made of bicycle parts and saddles, also patent eye sash weights, in both of which they have an enormous trade. A large number of hands are employed, and the capacity of the works is taxed to the utmost, the Company turning out carloads of goods at a time.

Among Oshawa's most progressive business firms is that of Jury & Gregory, the leading druggists, who occupy the oldest and best known drug stand in the town, situated on Simcoe street, a few doors north of King. Mr. Jury, the senior member of the firm, commenced his apprenticeship in this same store over 20 years ago, but afterwards moved to Bowmanville, where since 1881 he has been sole owner and manager of that old and reliable firm known from one end of Canada to the other under the title of Stott & Jury. Mr. Gregory, the junior partner, who manages the Oshawa business, served his apprenticeship under his father, E. Gregory, of Lindsay, who was considered to be one of the best posted chemists in Canada, and for many years was a member of the Council and Board of Examiners of the Ontario College of Pharmacy. This excellent training, together with his subsequent experience in some of the best stores in the Province, has given Mr. Gregory such a knowledge of his profession that the great increase of business since he took the management a few years ago is not surprising. He takes pride in his profession, and is not a chemist simply for the sake of the dollars and cents, but the thoughtless portion of the public are getting so accustomed to "bargain-hunting" that they do not seem to appreciate the amount of care and watchfulness exercised by the conscientious druggist in both his selling and buying. This firm has an advantage in buying for their three stores at once, enabling them to turn over their stock quickly, thus keeping it fresh and reliable. This is one reason that their label on a package is recognized as a guarantee of purity wherever they are known. Mr. Gregory makes a specialty of fitting trusses, having a private room for the purpose, and all the latest and most approved appliances in the line of silver, leather and hard rubber trusses.

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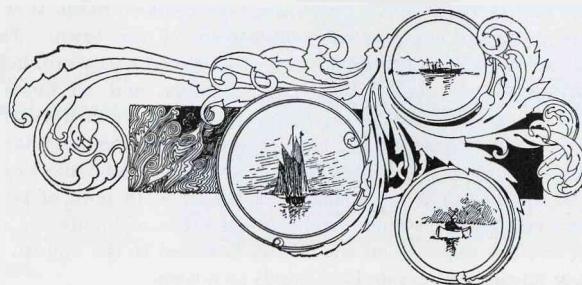
INTERIOR KINSMAN'S GENTS' FURNISHING STORE.

MR. T. M. KINSMAN, or as he is commonly known, "Kinsman, the men's man," situated on King street west, has a most complete line of Men's Hats and Caps, ready-made Clothing, Underwear, and an especially nice line of Collars and Neckwear. Mr. Kinsman has been at his present stand about four years, and during that time has worked up a very satisfactory trade, numbering among his customers some of the nobbiest dressers in town. The genial proprietor is

thoroughly conversant with every branch of the business, and especially in Hats does he carry a nice line. Mr. Kinsman buys all his goods from personal selection and does a strictly cash business.



The building and contracting firm of JOHN SYKES & SON has been established fifty-two years and to-day has one of the largest trades of the kind in this part of the country. The lumber yard in connection with the mill covers about  $1\frac{1}{2}$  acres of ground.



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INTERIOR OF CHAMBERS BROS.' DRUG STORE.

The illustration herewith gives a very good impression of Oshawa's leading Pharmacy, which was established by Mr. W. T. Atkinson at the corner of King and Simcoe streets fully thirty years ago. He was afterwards succeeded by Mr. T. G. Ryley, who removed the business to its present location, Simcoe street south, and after a very successful period, disposed of his interests in January last to Messrs. R. W. & A. Chambers, both of whom are com-

paratively young men, but possessing wide experience, gained in Montreal, Toronto, and other cities, together with exceptionally good business tact, they have maintained the reputation for which this Pharmacy has always been characteristic. While the store in appearance and style compares most favorably with those of the larger cities, the stock carried is equally good, and the best money can procure. The prescription trade done is large, and reflects much credit on the ability of Messrs. Chambers as thoroughly competent pharmacists. The specialties manufactured by the firm are Tar and Tolu Elixir for coughs, colds, etc., and Almond Cream with Witch Hazel for the skin. These they sell as being equal to if not better than any other similar preparations of their class made. The Pharmacy is a credit to Oshawa.



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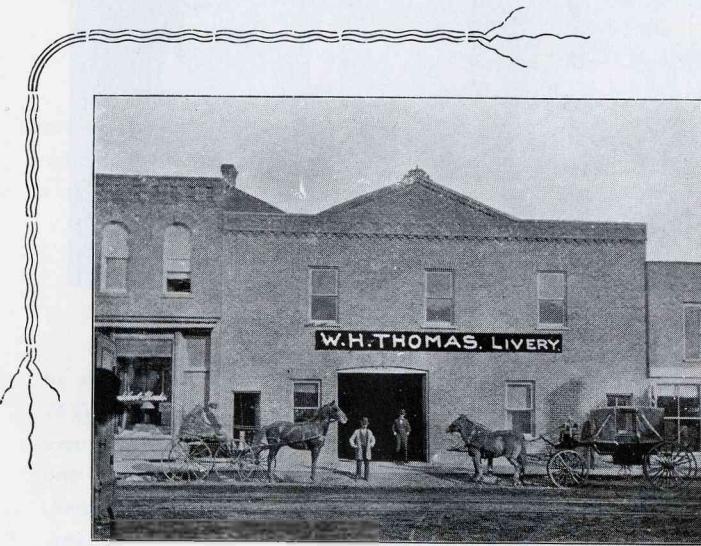
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RESIDENCE OF MR. W. H. THOMAS.

Oshawa has just cause to feel proud of some of her citizens—citizens who make self a secondary consideration and the welfare of their town first. One of these is MR. W. H. THOMAS, the veteran liveryman on Simcoe street south. Mr. Thomas has been engaged in the stage and livery business in Oshawa since 1846, and although he has at different times been, and still is, engaged in other businesses, he has always endeavored to keep the livery business to the front. Mr. Thomas has some valuable property

in Oshawa. His handsome residence, of which we give a cut with this article, is an example of the kind of buildings he believes in putting up—buildings which would be a credit to any town. Mr. Thomas has sat in the Council and been a member of the School Board several years.



MR. W. H. THOMAS' LIVERY.

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MR. W. A. HARE.

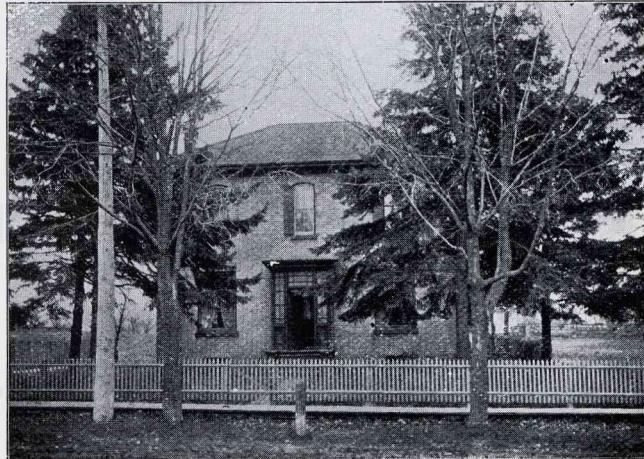
W. A. HARE, the watch specialist, Simcoe street north, although only established a short time, is acquiring a good reputation in his work with the townspeople. The stock of Jewelry, Clocks, etc., is all choice and complete and in every way merits the patronage it receives. There is no doubt of Mr. Hare's success if personal progression counts for anything.



W. A. HARE'S JEWELRY STORE.

CAPT. J. F. GRIERSON is in command of No. 3 Co'y of the 34th Battalion. He served in the Queen's Own through the North-west rebellion in 1885, and was under fire at Cut Knife Creek. Upon returning from the North-west he was admitted to the bar and began the practice of his profession in Oshawa in 1896. He was born here and received his early education in the public and high schools of the town, and afterwards attended Toronto

University. For a young man he has attained quite a prominence in local affairs. He is notary for the Western Bank, and last January was elected to the town council. He is a Mason, an Odd-fellow, and a Knight of Pythias. With his energy and talents he promises to be a prominent and useful member of society.

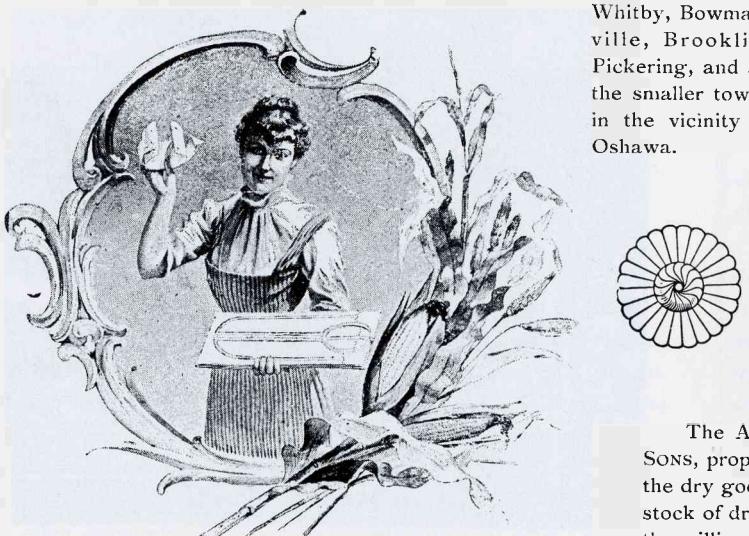


RESIDENCE OF MR. J. F. GRIERSON.

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The Oshawa Steam Laundry, HASTINGS & MANNERS, proprietors, has been established about ten years. The business has gradually increased until at the present time they have a very fine trade. The plant is equipped with all the latest laundry machinery, and only the most competent help is employed, special care being taken with lace curtains and all fine household linen. The commercial trade is also specially looked after. The firm's business is not confined to Oshawa—there being agencies in

Whitby, Bowmanville, Brooklin, Pickering, and all the smaller towns in the vicinity of Oshawa.



TRADE MARK OF THE OSHAWA STEAM LAUNDRY.



THE ARCADE, T. MILLER & SONS, PROPS.

The Arcade, the leading dry goods house of the town, T. MILLER & SONS, proprietors, was established in 1889 by Mr. T. Miller, who has followed the dry goods business for 34 years, his sons being admitted in 1893. The stock of dress goods and ladies' and gents' furnishings is most complete, but the millinery and boys' and youths' clothing, each of which has a department to itself at the back of the main store, receive special attention.

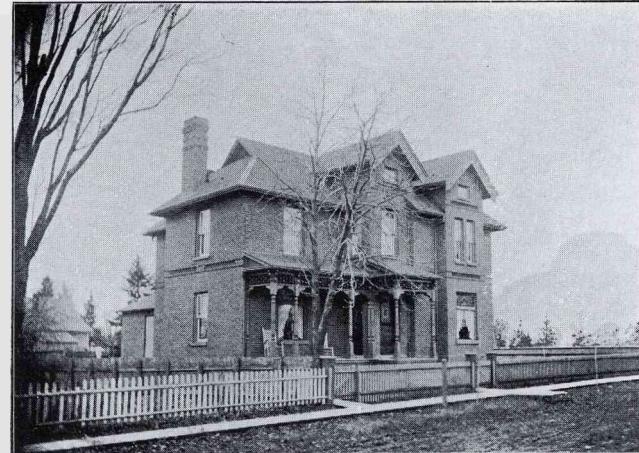
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MR. THOMAS CONANT is a descendant of the Pilgrim Fathers, and his forefathers built and sailed one of the first fleet of vessels on Lake Ontario. Mr. Conant enjoys the large fortune they amassed, and has

greatly increased it himself. He is one of the largest land owners in the county, and finds time, aside from managing his large estate, for extensive reading, and his library is his greatest pride and source of pleasure. He is also a great traveller. Besides circumnavigating the globe, he has been several times to Egypt, to Jerusalem, India, Australia, in fact all parts of the world. His literary tastes find expression in letters to the Toronto Globe on his travels, and among his best treasured possessions are letters from strangers expressing gratitude that he has given them a knowledge of the lands he has visited. His is an ideal type of a Canadian citizen.



MR. THOMAS CONANT.



RESIDENCE OF MR. S. GLIDDEN.

MR. SAMUEL GLIDDEN, Oshawa's leading contractor and builder, was born in England, where he learned his trade, coming to Canada in 1870. In 1885 he commenced for himself, and by strict perseverance and close attention to business has been exceptionally successful. Mr. Glidden was a member of the Town Council five years, being Chairman of the Streets Committee two years. His beautiful home, of which we give a cut, is situated on John Street, and this or any of his other half-dozen places would be sold very reasonably.

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INTERIOR OF MR. J. E. BEATON'S GROCERY.

Since Mr. J. E. BEATON came back to his old stand in the new McCaw Block, opposite the post office (where he was burned out last August, and which since the fire has been put in the very best possible shape), he can lay claim to have the finest and best appointed grocery in Oshawa. The store is now lighted by electricity, heated with hot air and has a model refrigerator with separate compartments for meats and butter. Mr. Beaton has among his customers the best people in town. A specialty is made of blended teas and coffees which are put up in specially prepared packages.

THE OSHAWA VINDICATOR, the leading Liberal Conservative paper of Ontario County, was founded in 1855, and after many changes in 1891 came into the hands of the present publisher. Mr. Nicholson was born near Belleville, and at an early age began his apprenticeship in the Ontario office. After a year in the Guardian office, Toronto, he went to the United States and became local editor of the Springfield, Mo., Herald. In 1884 he returned to Belleville and took the local editorship of the Intelligencer, retiring after four years to attend Albert College. He then took the editorial chair of the Ontario, from which position he came to Oshawa. He will soon lay down the editorial pen to take a course in mineralogy and geology at the School of Mines, Kingston.



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MR. JAS. W. PROVAN.

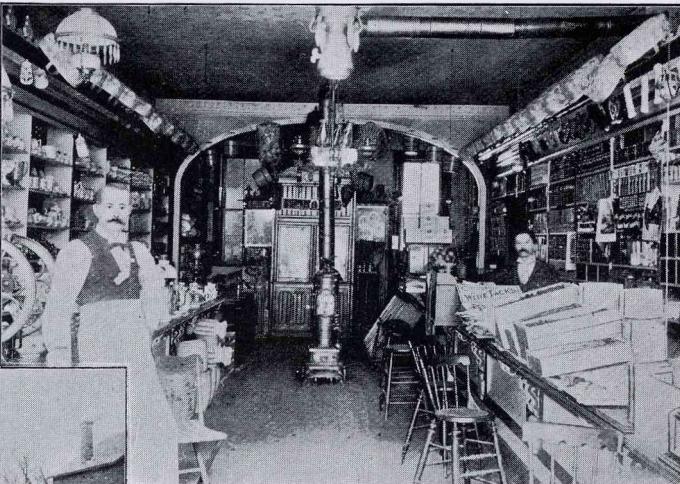
MR. JAS. W. PROVAN, manufacturer of Provan's hay carriers, fork and slings, has been established 11 years, and during that time has met with exceptional success. Mr. Provan's goods are superior to anything in their line on the market, and command a better price. At the World's Fair, Chicago, he was awarded all the honors, a medal and diploma, over an

extensive opposition. Mr. Provan is and has been a prominent member of the Town Council three years, during which time he has made himself useful in many ways.

MR. J. W. BABCOCK, grocer, King street west, is a very busy man. Besides looking after his grocery he also manages the Oshawa Marble Works, of which he is the proprietor. The grocery is centrally located, and carries a most complete line of groceries, provisions, crockery and



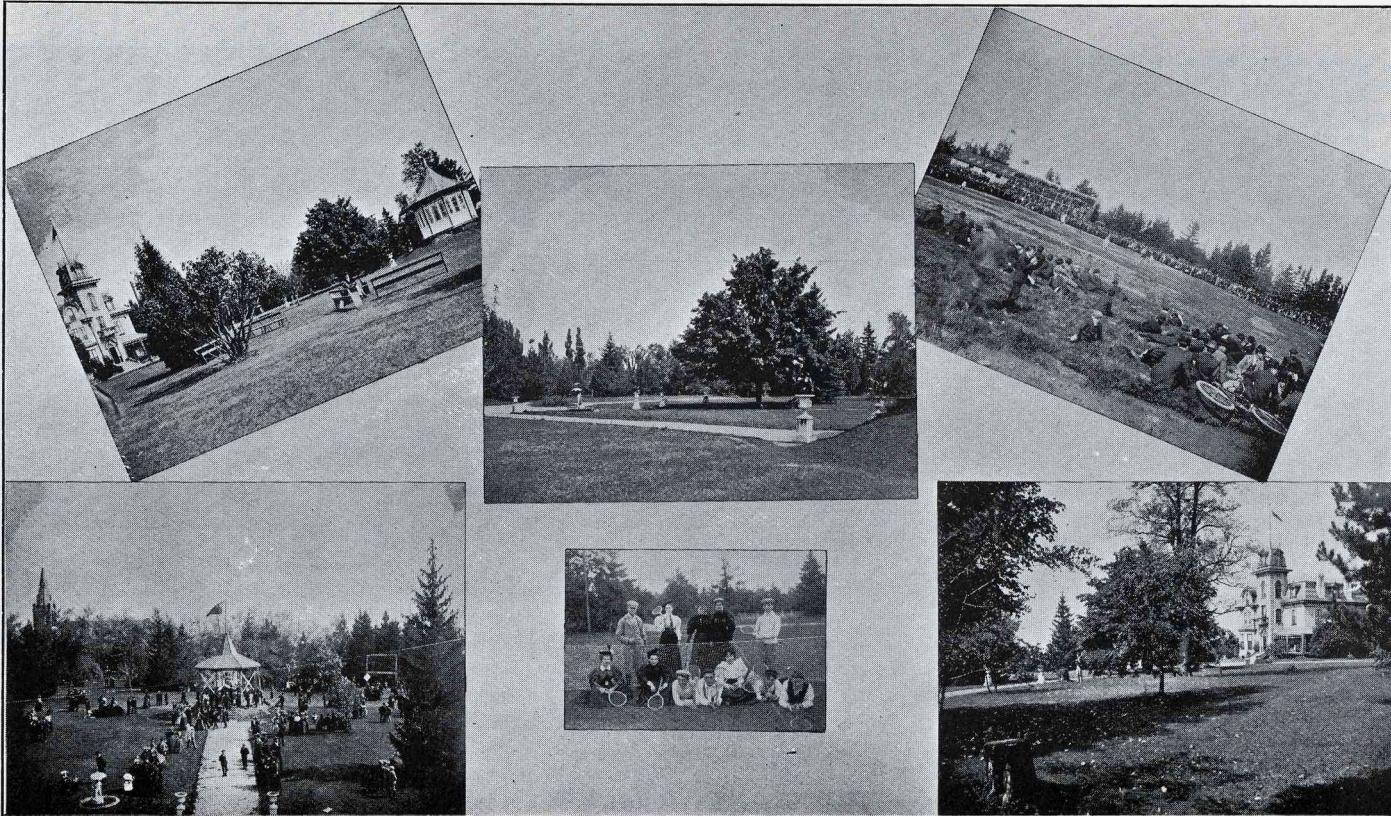
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MR. BABCOCK'S GROCERY.

glassware, also field and garden seeds. The Marble Works, which are situated a little further west on King street, are becoming very well known, not only in the town, but throughout the adjoining country, as the place where the most up-to-date stones and marble articles may be had. Mr. Babcock pays special attention to this department, and judging by the large trade it seems to be appreciated.

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SNAP-SHOTS OF PROSPECT PARK.

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MR. E. S. EDMONDSON,  
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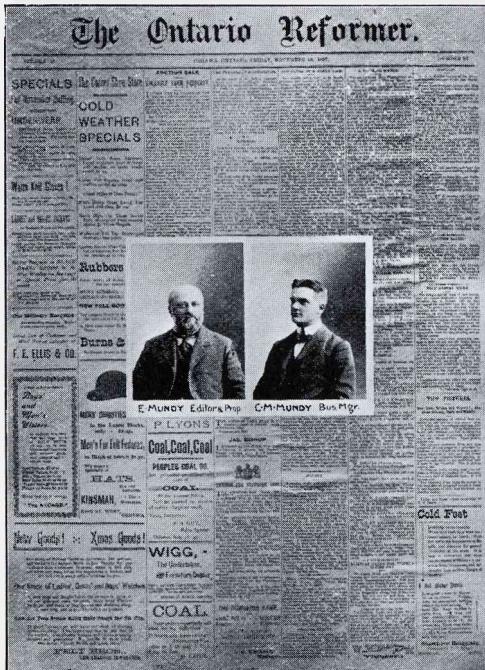
It would be difficult to find so picturesque a resort within such a short distance of Toronto as Prospect Park, Oshawa, of which MR. E. S. EDMONDSON is proprietor. The Park is located on the northerly outskirts of the town, on the highest point of land in the vicinity, and is reached by the electric railway direct from the railway station and boats, the cars passing by the entrance gates. The grounds of the park, eleven acres in extent, are beautifully laid out, costing, together with the buildings, \$35,000. Situated in the western extremity of the grounds is a picturesque mansion of white brick with shady verandas, from which a full view of the park is obtained, the spacious, velvety lawns dotted with shrubbery and ornamental fountains, the dark cool green of fragrant balsam and cedar contrasting with the brighter tints of beech, maple and silver birch, the universal carpet of greensward intersecting by gravel paths, the whole forming a pleasing picture of sylvan beauty. To the right through the intervening foliage peeps the roof of the refreshment pavilion and dining-room, a commodious, well-ventilated building, containing at one end a small stage for concerts and entertainments; beyond is a first rate quarter-mile bicycle track, elliptical in form, and planned and graded under the supervision of a competent civil engineer; the foundation is of hard, white clay, with a surface of brick dust and ashes; inside this track is the ball ground, where games and sports are indulged in, and a spacious new grand stand affords accommodation for the spectators, from which a fine view of the undulating country is

enjoyed. To the left of the house are the fine tennis courts (four in number), and adjoining these is the bowling green. Fronting the house are a pretty glass summer house, and ice cream parlor, and beyond are to be found "fairy glens" of balsam and cedar, cunningly planted in circles and semi-circles, with seats conveniently ranged round the insides, and in the shady recesses fountains, spanned by rustic bridges. At night the grounds are lighted by electric lights, throwing into deeper contrast the avenues, shrubbery and dark dells, making a veritable fairy scene, with the musical splash of the fountains playing a soothing accompaniment; the whole scene enlivened by the music of the fine town band of thirty-six pieces. Bicycle meets, lacrosse and baseball matches, lawn tennis tournaments and sports and entertainments of every description are in progress day and night during the season. Special arrangements are made with Sunday Schools, societies and others for excursions and picnics, the grounds and buildings affording ample accommodation for the largest excursions. Excursion rates from Toronto are: Societies, 60 and 35 cents; Sunday Schools, 45 and 30 cents, for return coupon ticket by Grand Trunk Railway and Oshawa Street Railway, including entrance to park, with all the privileges of the park enumerated above, with hot and cold water. Tea free to Sunday Schools. The very low adult rate will enable picnics to be conducted practically without cost by margin obtainable on sale of tickets. There is accommodation at the house, which is electric lighted and well furnished, for a few summer boarders, at rates from \$8 to \$10 per week.



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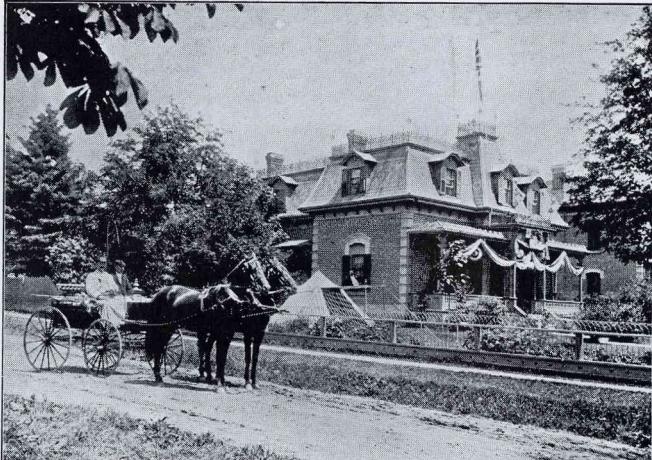
The Ontario Reformer, the leading Liberal organ in South Ontario, made its first appearance April 15th, 1871, as a four-page eight-column paper, with W. R. Cline, editor of the Bowmanville Statesman, as publisher. After a number of changes it was purchased by MR. MUNDY, the present editor and proprietor, in 1878. The Reformer is now an eight page seven column paper devoted to the best interests of the community and a sturdy advocate of Liberal principles. Mr. E. Mundy is an old newspaper man who has met with much success in his work. Lately he has associated his son, Mr. C. M. Mundy, with him in business.



J. E. HAWKINS' HARDWARE STORE.

MR. J. E. HAWKINS, who succeeded Everson & Hawkins in September of the present year, has been connected with the hardware, stove and tin business about 30 years. His stock of hardware, steam pipe, plumbing goods, tiling, Portland cements, pitch, tar, etc., is large and complete. Mr. Hawkins handles an extensive line of up-to-date stoves and furnaces, in which he has practically a monopoly. In eavetroughing and felt and gravel roofing a large business is done, Mr. Hawkins superintending this and the furnace business himself. In every line the very best value is given, and customers may rely on getting the best goods at lowest prices.

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RESIDENCE OF MR. J. W. BORSBERY.

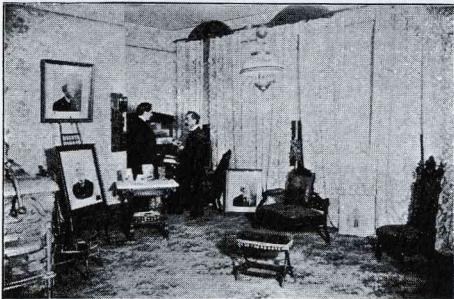


THE BORSBERY MUSIC HALL.

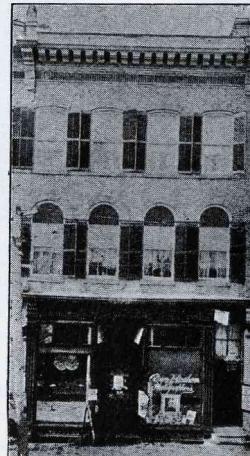
MR. J. W. BORSBERY was born and educated in England, and served his apprenticeship to the grocery business there. He came to Canada in 1871 and located in Oshawa, where he has since resided. During the past 26 years Mr. Borsbery has been an eminently successful man, and in his real estate speculations no one is more fortunate. His public spirit and perseverance have prompted him to build a number of fine brick dwelling houses, fitting them up with the latest improvements. He has also remodeled several brick stores on our principal streets, one of which is the Arcade, which you will notice on another page. He has recently purchased the above block of buildings, which he has fitted up in the most modern style. One of the stores is leased for a term of years for our post office. The Borsbery Music Hall over the stores will seat 700; the stage is 28 x 35, the scenery is all new, new opera chairs replace the old benches, and the adjoining dining hall and dressing rooms have all been greatly improved. For four or five years Mr. Borsbery was honored with a seat at our Council board, which he resigned on account of business. He has been the eastern representative of Eby, Blain & Co., Toronto, for 17 years, and in 1894 became a partner. He is a born salesman and a great favorite with his customers, and though the firm has 12 travelers, his sales each year head the list. Truly, "nothing succeeds like success."

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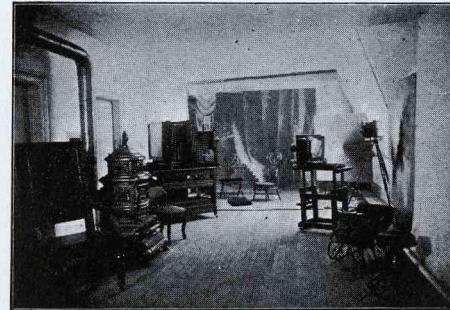
When we went to Oshawa we were agreeably surprised to find that at least there was one really first-class firm of photographers in the town, and to Messrs. O'Brien & Stedham, the artistic photographers of Oshawa, we owe the excellent illustrations in this Souvenir. The firm is composed of progressive young men (artists in every sense of the word), who well merit the large and select patronage they receive. The aim of this firm is to produce the best without regard to personal cost or inconvenience, and truly they have succeeded. Every picture turned out by



RECEPTION ROOM.



O'BRIEN & STEDHAM'S  
PHOTOGRAPH GALLERY.



OPERATING ROOM.

them is a credit, and the appreciating townspeople are proud of the success they have attained. The reception rooms, operating rooms, dressing rooms, in fact all through the establishment is as convenient as modern skill can devise. Messrs. O'Brien & Stedham have every appliance for turning out any kind of picture from a locket to a life-size, of which they make a specialty. Their flash-light photos of interiors of stores, drawing-rooms, etc., have been very successful. They also have a branch in Whitby, which is doing a good business.

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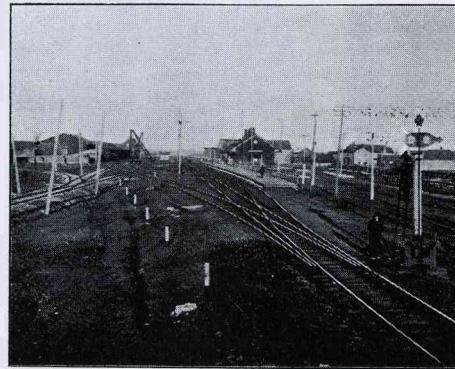
RESIDENCE OF DR. BELT.

Photo by Mr. H. Felt.

The accompanying cut of DR. BELT'S residence was taken during the great ice storm of 1895, and gives a very fair idea of the condition of things at that time. It must have been a splendid sight, every tree bending with its icy burden, telegraph wires festooned with glistening white, and the whole forming fantastic forms never dreamed of by mortal man. Dr. Belt, who by the way is a son of the Rev. Canon Belt, of Toronto, was born in York County, but

attended the Oshawa Public and High Schools. In 1882 he graduated from Trinity University, immediately settling in Oshawa, where he has acquired an excellent practice.

MR. A. R. MCLEAN, the furniture dealer, Simcoe street south, has been established in this business in Oshawa about 9 years, and during that time he has made himself felt in many circles in town. He carries a most complete line of all kinds of furniture, and the upholstering department, which he personally superintends, is establishing a good reputation. Besides the furniture Mr. McLean has a large fire and life insurance business. Personally he is a patriotic citizen, doing his share of helping the town. In this connection he has been a member of the town council 3 years. This year he is chairman of the relief committee.



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